

Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority

William O' Douglas Outdoor Classroom



Hike Schedule for April 2004

Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop (4hrs/indoors)
4/6, 4/13, 4/20 and 4/27 Every Tuesday at 11am
Blooming with detail. Join an ongoing artist gathering of all levels, interested in accurately drawing and/or painting plants in a relaxed environment. For more info. call **323-656-3899**

WODOC and the Movies (2hrs/easy)

SAT 4/3 10am

See first hand why Franklin Canyon has been the premier film location for movies such as: It Happened One Night, and the beginning of the Andy Griffith show.

Silent Night Hike (2hrs/moderate)

SAT 4/3 7pm

Enjoy the silent symphony of Franklin Canyon's nightlife, while appreciating the inner wisdom of your own melody of thoughts. **Call for Reservations (310) 858-7272 ext.131**

Aerobic Trek (1.5 hrs/ strenuous)

SUN 4/4 9am

Get your heart pumping and legs moving on an energizing morning hike, while enjoying the great outdoors.

Nature Rambles (2hrs/easy)

SUN 4/4 9am

Why do butterflies need plants? Discover the interrelations and connections of birds, plants and other wildlife partners of Franklin Canyon Park. Binoculars and magnifiers suggested. **Meet at the Lower Ranch**

The Faces of Franklin Canyon (2hrs/ easy)

SUN 4/4 10am

Who were William Mulholland, Sooky Goldman, and other influential faces of Franklin Canyon Park?

Nearly Full Moon Hike (2hrs/moderate)

SUN 4/4 7pm

Explore the canyon by moonlight. Look and listen for Franklin's Canyon wildlife, and enjoy a spectacular view of the stars and city from atop the canyon trail. Lots of fun for all ages. **Meet at the Lower Ranch.**



Babes in the Woods (1 hr/easy)

WED 4/7 10am

A touch, feel, and smell walk for babes up to age 3, and their moms/dads.

Nature's Preschool (1.5 hrs/easy)

WED 4/7 10:15am

Grow deep roots of understanding nature. Classes employ cutting edge teaching methods in the fields of art, science and mathematics, allowing nature be the teacher. Ages 4-5 with parents. **Call for Reservations (310) 858-7272 ext.131**

DOGS RULE (1.5 hrs/easy)

SAT 4/10 9am



Does your dog play well with others? Friendly dogs and their owners are welcomed to meet and greet other doggie pals on a moderately paced dog hike. Learn dog hiking safety tips while enjoying the trails of Franklin Canyon Park. All dogs must be on leash and cleaned up after.

Franklin Canyon Tykes (1.5 hrs/easy)

SAT 4/10 10am

Kids ages 4-8 can explore the sights, sounds and feelings of nature through a discovery journey around Franklin Canyon Lake and wild duck pond.

All programs meet at The Sooky Goldman Nature Center (north end of the park, above the lake) unless listed as "Meet at The Lower Ranch" (south end of the park below the lake, parking lot by the Doheny House)

Franklin Canyon Park is jointly managed by the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, through the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority, the National Park Service, Department of Water and Power, City of Los Angeles, and the City of Beverly Hills.

SAT 4/10 6pm

Learn how birds survive at night on a casual sunset stroll around Franklin Canyon Lake. Bring binoculars. Beginning birders welcome.

SAT 4/17 9am

SUN 4/18 10am

SAT 4/24 8am

SAT 4/24 9am

SUN 4/25 10am

WED 4/28 10am

SUN 4/18 2pm

Allow nature to work through your creative hands to sculpt a work of art. Join us in this ongoing sculpture workshop.
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SUN 4/18 3pm

Capture the moment with an experienced photographer who will guide you to finding unique views and photo opportunities in nature. **Call for Reservations (310) 858-7272 ext.131**

Come visit us and explore our displays about the Wildlife and Geology of the Santa Monica Mts., Water & Energy Conservation, and much more!!

Park Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

- Dogs must be on leash & cleaned up after at all times
- No smoking or fires of any kind
- Stay on designated trails
- No alcoholic beverages
- No littering or dumping
- Please don't feed the ducks

**Emergency Ranger Services
call (310) 575-7049**

"We will be known forever by the tracks we leave"
—Dakota Indian proverb

There are many volunteer opportunities at Franklin Canyon Park: You could help with trail maintenance, become a Nature Center Host, Lead School and Scout Programs, or guide your own public hikes!

Hike Schedule for May 2004

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5/4, 5/11, 5/18 and 5/25 Every Tuesday at 11am
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WODOC and the Movies (2hrs/easy)

SAT 5/1 10am

See first hand why Franklin Canyon has been the premier film location for movies such as: It happened One Night, and the beginning of the Andy Griffith show.

Silent Night Hike (2hrs/moderate)

SAT 5/1 7:30pm

Enjoy the silent symphony of Franklin Canyon's nightlife, while appreciating the inner wisdom of your own melody of thoughts.

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Aerobic Trek (1.5 hrs/ strenuous)

SUN 5/2 9am

Get your heart pumping and legs moving on an energizing morning hike, while enjoying the great outdoors.

Nature Rambles (2hrs/easy)

SUN 5/2 9am

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The Faces of Franklin Canyon (2hrs/ easy)

SUN 5/2 10am

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MON 5/3 7:30pm

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Nature's Preschool (1.5 hrs/easy)

WED 5/5 10:15am

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Everyday is Earthday (2 hrs/moderate)

SAT 5/8 9am

Why is it important to know how long does it take for a banana peel to biodegrade? Learn simple ways to be Earth friendly everyday by remembering the 3 R's of nature, (Recycle, Reduce, and Reuse). **Meet at the Lower Ranch.**

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SAT 5/8 9am

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SAT 5/8 10am

Kids ages 4-8 can explore the sights, sounds and feelings of nature through a discovery journey around Franklin Canyon Lake and wild duck pond.

Evening Birds (2 hrs/easy)

SAT 5/8 6:30pm

Birds are full of activity when the sun goes down. Learn how birds survive at night on a casual sunset stroll around Franklin Canyon Lake. Bring binoculars. Beginning birders welcome.

Plant Adventures (3hrs/easy)

SAT 5/15 9am

Meander around Franklin Canyon Lake and discover the exciting adventures of plants and their insect buddies. Bring a snack.

Hike with MIKE (2 hrs/moderate)

SUN 5/16 10am

Explore plants and animals while walking around a beautiful lake and wild duck pond. Experience why it's important to have nature in your life on a regular basis. Optional fun frisbee toss at the end hike. All ages welcome.

Springtime Nature Journaling (2hrs/easy)

SUN 5/16 11am

Enhance the way you look at the natural world around you. Renew your spirit through nature journaling. This process provides you with a record of your observations, thoughts and feelings. Bring a sketchbook or pad, pencil, pen, and a small folding stool or chair for your comfort.

Sculpture with Shahin (2 hrs/indoors)

SUN 5/16 2pm

Allow nature to work through your creative hands to sculpt a work of art. Join us in this ongoing sculpture workshop.

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Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon (2hrs/easy)

SUN 5/16 3pm

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Babes in the Woods (1 hr/easy)

WED 5/19 10am

A touch, feel, and smell walk for babes up to age 3, and their moms/dads.

Morning Birds of Franklin Canyon (2.5 hrs/easy)**SAT 5/22 8am**

Catch the Early Bird Special! Enjoy the sounds and sights of busy birds gearing up for their day. Bring sturdy shoes and binoculars. No dogs. Please meet in the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom Parking lot.

Sacred Geometry (2 hrs/easy)**SUN 5/30 10am**

Fractals and Shared Forms in Nature. Explore the Golden Mean, Fibonacci Sequence, Fractals as seen in nature and expand to a new dimension of awareness. Optional PBS special 1hr. Fractal video to follow.

Hike Schedule for June 2004

Spring Botanical Drawing Workshop (4hrs/indoors)**6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 6/22 and 6/29 Every Tuesday at 11am**

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Nearly Full Moon Hike (2hrs/moderate)**WED 6/2 7:30pm**

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WODOC and the Movies (2hrs/easy)**SAT 6/5 10am**

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Silent Night Hike (2hrs/moderate)**SAT 6/5 8pm**

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Aerobic Trek (1.5 hrs/ strenuous)**SUN 6/6 9am**

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The Faces of Franklin Canyon (2hrs/ easy)**SUN 6/6 10am**

Who were William Mulholland, Sooky Goldman, and other influential faces of Franklin Canyon Park?

Babes in the Woods (1 hr/easy)**WED 6/9 10am**

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Nature's Preschool (1.5 hrs/easy)**WED 6/9 10:15am**

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DOGS RULE (1.5 hrs/easy)**SAT 6/12 9am**

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Franklin Canyon Tykes (1.5 hrs/easy)**SAT 6/12 10am**

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Evening Birds (2 hrs/easy)**SAT 6/12 6:30pm**

Birds are full of activity when the sun goes down. Learn how birds survive at night on a casual sunset stroll around Franklin Canyon Lake. Bring binoculars. Beginning birders welcome.

Hike with MIKE (2 hrs/moderate)**SUN 6/13 10am**

Explore plants and animals while walking around a beautiful lake and wild duck pond. Experience why it's important to have nature in your life on a regular basis. Optional fun frisbee toss at the end hike. All ages welcome.

Plant Adventures (3hrs/easy)**SAT 6/19 9am**

Meander around Franklin Canyon Lake and discover the exciting adventures of plants and their insect buddies. Bring a snack.

Summer Solstice Hike (2.5 hrs/ moderate)**SAT 6/19 7:30pm**

Celebrate the Summer Solstice in Franklin Canyon. Hike and discuss seasonal changes and identify planets and constellations. Binoculars optional. **Meet at the Lower Ranch.**

Springtime Nature Journaling (2hrs/easy)**SUN 6/20 11am**

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Sculpture with Shahin (2 hrs/indoors)**SUN 6/20 2pm**

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Photo Fun in Franklin Canyon (2hrs/easy)**SUN 6/20 3pm**

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Morning Birds of Franklin Canyon (2.5 hrs/easy)**SAT 6/26 8am**

Catch the Early Bird Special! Enjoy the sounds and sights of busy birds gearing up for their day. Bring sturdy shoes and binoculars. No dogs. Please meet in the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom Parking lot.

Nature Rambles (2hrs/easy)**SAT 6/26 9am**

Why do butterflies need plants? Discover the interrelations and connections of birds, plants and other wildlife partners of Franklin Canyon Park. Binoculars and magnifiers suggested.

Meet at the Lower Ranch.

Sacred Geometry (2 hrs/easy)**SUN 6/27 10am**

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Babes in the Woods (1 hr/easy)**WED 6/30 10am**

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DIRECTIONS TO FRANKLIN CANYON PARK :

2600 Franklin Canyon Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210

FROM BEVERLY HILLS/WEST LOS ANGELES**To Upper Franklin Canyon Park**

From Sunset Boulevard, turn north on Beverly Drive. Continue on Beverly Drive by veering left at the, "to Coldwater Canyon Drive" sign. At the intersection of Mulholland Drive West and Franklin Canyon Drive (directly across from Tree People/Coldwater Canyon Park) make a 90 degree left hand turn, heading directly west onto Franklin Canyon Drive. Look for the signs that reads, "Road Closed 800 Feet." Travel 0.5 miles through residential area, continuing through park gates. Park in the large gravel parking lot on the left—the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom parking lot.) Follow trail to the Sooky Goldman Nature Center.

To Lower Franklin Canyon Park/Ranch

From Sunset Boulevard, turn north on Beverly Drive, continue 0.2 miles and veer left at the, "to Coldwater Canyon Drive" sign. Drive 0.4 miles, look for the Beverly Hills Fire Station #2 (right hand side) turn left to remain on Beverly Drive, continue 0.8 miles through residential area. Turn right on Franklin Canyon Drive to enter the park. Drive 1 mile and turn right on Lake Drive to main parking lot at the end of the road.

**FROM THE VALLEY****To Upper Franklin Canyon Park**

From the 101 Ventura Freeway, exit Coldwater Canyon, drive south 2.5 miles, passing Ventura Boulevard. At the intersection of Mulholland Drive West and Franklin Canyon Drive (directly across from Tree People/Coldwater Canyon Park) make a 90 degree right hand turn, heading directly west onto Franklin Canyon Drive. Look for the signs that reads, "Road Closed 800 Feet" . Travel 0.5 miles down this road and park in the large gravel parking lot on left—the William O. Douglas Outdoor Classroom parking lot).Follow trail to the Sooky Goldman Nature Center.

To Lower Franklin Canyon Park/Ranch

At the intersection of Mulholland Drive West and Franklin Canyon Drive (directly across from Tree People/Coldwater Canyon Park) make a 90 degree right hand turn, heading directly west onto Franklin Canyon Drive. Look for the signs that reads, "Road Closed 800 Feet." Travel 0.5 miles through residential area, continuing through park gates. Pass reservoir by veering to the right. Turn right at the stop sign at bottom of lake, drive 1 mile and veer left onto Lake Drive. Drive to main parking lot at the end of the road.

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